Delhi Cantonment to 124 INF. BN. (TA) Sikh C/o 56 APO during the last three years;

(b) the employees alongwith disignation whose service documents have not been sent to their posted section;

(c) whether it is a fact that in spite of the twelve reminders sent to Station Headquarter vide Letter No. 245/1/Q. dated 17th April, 2002, the documents have not been sent; and

(d) the reasons for delay and by when the documents will be sent?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) Station headquarters, Delhi have informed that no employee was posted from Station Headquarters, Delhi to 124 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) during the last three years.

However, the service book of Shri Hukam Singh (CS-715), Conservancy Safaiwala (referred to in the letter dated 17.4.2002) who was posted by the Station Headquarters to 124 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) on 5.8.1998 was retained by the Station Headquarters for audit verification and scrutiny for some time. The service book after audit verification and scrutiny has since been returned by the Station Headquarters to 124 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army).

Action against false complainants

*717. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the news-item captioned "Amend IPC to prevent false charges against officials" which appeared in the Hindustan Times on 26th April, 2002;

(b) whether it is a fact that the defamation suit filed by honest officials is time consuming and very expensive resulting in convenient escape of complainants;

(c) whether Government propose to amend Indian Penal Code to punish the complainants making false charges as recommended by Central Vigilance Commission;

(d) if so, by when; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (e) In his letter of 9th May, 2002 the CVC has pointed out that section 182 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 needs to be suitably amended as it provides a convenient escape route to those making false complaints against public servants, thus tarnishing their public image and reputation. It is difficult at this stage to give a time-frame for examining and taking a view on the CVC's recommendations.

Rural development schemes for Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh

†*718. SHRI KAILASH JOSHI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the development shcemes sanctioned by Union Rural Development Ministry for Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh and the schemes out of them being executed;

(b) The scheme-wise details of the amount sanctioned, allocated and utilized alongwith details of amount lapsed, if any, and reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the amount allocated has been spent on the other schemes; if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to prevent such practice?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) to (c) The Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP), the Central Rural Sanitation Programme (CRSP), the Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP), the Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and other Schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development are being implemented in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. The scheme-wise details of allocation, release and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.